Dated 14th April 1976.

Consumer price index number for working class a Mandya Centre, for the month of March 1976.

Interim series with arithmetically shifted base year 1960=100.

Index for March 1976=299.

A fall of 10 points.

The consumer price index number for working class at Mandya Centre for the month of March 1976 works out to 299 points thereby showing a fall of 10 points as compared with the index number of the previous month. This index is lower by 15 points as compared with that of the corresponding month of the previous year which stood at 314 points.

The variations in the group indices of the current month when compared with those of the previous month are indicated below :

1. The index number of food group has decreased by 18 points to 318 points due to a fall in the prices of Raw rice, Ragi, Block gramdhal, Turdhal, Bengalgramdhal, Avaredhal, Sugar, Jeggery, Ghee (II sort) Onions, Groundnut oil, Tamarind, Chillies, Coriander and Wheat.

2. The index number of fuel and lighting group has increased by one point to 312 points due to a rise in the price of Kerosene oil.

3. The index number of clothing group has remained constant at 252 points.

4. The index number of rent group has been kept constant at 100 points, since no periodical surveys have been conducted.

5. The index number of miscellaneous group has increased by 2 points to 263 points due to a rise in the price of Supari.

Sl. No.	Groups	Whights proportional to total expenditure	Group index numbers for the months of		
			March 75	Feb. 76	March 76
1.	Food	53-4	352	336	318
2.	Fuel and light	10-4	314	311	312
3.	Clothing	11-9	252	252	252
4.	Rent	2-0	100	100	100
5.	Miscellaneous	22-3	234	261	263
	All groups	100-0	314	309	299

The conversion factor for general index nos is 4. 42. To get the index nos. on base 1935-36=100, the index nos. with base 1960=100 has to be multiplied by the F.C. (4.42).

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For Director.

Dated 6th April 1976.

Consumer price index number for working class at Mangalore Centre, for the month of March 1976.

(Base year : 1958-59=100) Index for March 1976=313

A fall of 7 points.

The Consumer price index number for working class at Mangalore Centre for the month of March 1976 works out to 313 points thereby showing a fall of 7 points as compared with the index number of the previous month. This index is higher by 15 points as compared with that of the corresponding month of the previous year which stood at 328 points.

The variations in the group indices of the current month when compared with those of the previous month are indicated below.

1. The index number of food group has decreased by 11 points to 330 points due to a fall in the prices of Boiled rice, Turdhal, Sugar, Jaggery, Tea, Vegetables, Tamarind and Chillies.

2. The index number of fuel and lighting group has remained constant at 348 points.

3. The index number of clothing group has remained constant at 289 points.

4. The index number of rent group has baen kept constant at 100 points, since no periodical surveys have been conducted.

5. The index number of miscellaneous group has remained constant at 323 points.

Sl. No.	Groups	Weights proportional to total expenditure.	Group index numbers for the months of		
			March 1975	February 1976	March 1976
1.	Food	59.5	370	341	330
2.	Fuel & light	5.6	331	348	348
3.	Clothing	11.7	262	289	289
4.	Rent	4.9	100	100	100
5.	Miscellaneous	18.3	295	323	323
	Ail groups	100.0	328	320	313

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